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AMENDMENT "B" AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND **SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Dear Sir:

This correspondence is filed in response to the final Office action dated July 7, 2006 (Paper No. 20060629). The shortened period for response expired on October 7, 2006, and thus, applicant hereby requests that the period for response be extended three months, up to and including January 8, 2007, since January 7, 2007 fell on a Sunday. Please charge the three-month extension of time fee of \$510.00 for a small entity to Deposit Account No. 501210, referencing our Docket No. 30188.30008. Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 501210, referencing our Docket No. 30188.30008.

> Respectfully submitted, **BROUSE MCDOWELL**

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